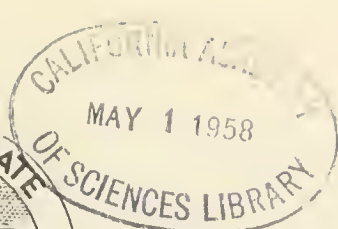


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HOUSE & GARDEN TOUR INCREASES SANCTUARY FUND

Generous response to the House & Garden Tour ticket sale has brought the Sanctuary Fund up to a good start. Donations, large and small, are coming in, as well as orders for tickets. Friends out of town are responding along with bay area members. However, the committee is anticipating an increased number of orders and urges that checks be sent in promptly to Mrs. A. G. Zimmermann, 29 Blachford Court, Oakland.

Homes and gardens to be opened for the Tour promise an enjoyable day for those who are supporting this most worthwhile project. They are homes of:

Dr. and Mrs. C. V. Covell, 148 Estates Drive, Piedmont. The roses seem to have heard about the Tour. They have always been outstanding but, judging by the size of the buds and their quantity, they seem ready for their biggest display ever.

Dr. and Mrs. T. Eric Reynolds, 140 Estates Drive, Piedmont. In a setting of live oaks, native California plants are combined with the exotic and special attention has been given to attracting and feeding birds. In the house, a collection of original oil paintings by the great American artist, Louis Agassiz Fuertes, will be on display.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Davie, 5160 Masonic Ave., Oakland. The gardener is working overtime and the show here will be magnificent. All floral arrangements in the house will be done under the supervision of Mrs. Charles M. Wood, winner of countless blue ribbons and a judge in the Oakland Flower Show.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Land, 110 Indian Road, Piedmont. This garden is generously supplied with just right ideas—how to fix the wall, curve the walk, design a fence. Perfection abounds, indoors and out.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver de Silva, 2717 Chelsea Drive, Oakland. The garden is expansive and an excellent spot for birdwatching in addition to being one of the most spectacular places in the region.

As an appropriate finale to the House and Garden Tour, Laura Reynolds will show her film, *Garden Sanctuary*, at the Berkeley Little Theatre, Sunday, May 18, at 2:30 p.m. Complimentary tickets will be given on request, at the Reynold's home, during the Tour.

HOUSE & GARDEN TOUR TICKETS AVAILABLE at the National Audubon Headquarters, 2426 Bancroft Way, Berkeley. There flower arrangements done by Mrs. Charles M. Wood, Tour Decoration Chairman, will be on display for your pleasure.

Additional tickets will be on sale at the gates of the homes visited during the tour.

—SUZANNE JOHNSON, *Chairman House & Garden Tour*

MARCH TRIP TO TILDEN PARK

Saturday, March 29th, was a chilly, cloudy day with a few sprinkles resulting in an attendance of only 17. At the meeting place, Summit Reservoir, birds were scarce; they were more in evidence down around Jewel Lake, including numerous singing Orange-crowned and Wilson's Warblers, and a flock of Band-tailed Pigeons. One male Rufous hummingbird was the only other migrant observed. The following 38 species were observed: Pied-billed Grebe, Mallard, Ruddy Duck, Red-tailed Hawk, California Quail, American Coot, Mourning Dove, Rufous Hummingbird, Allen's Hummingbird, Red-shafted Flicker, Downy Woodpecker, Black Phoebe, Steller's Jay, Scrub Jay, Chestnut-backed Chickadee, Plain Titmouse, Common Bushtit, Red-breasted Nuthatch, Brown Creeper, Wrentit, Bewick's Wren, Ruby-crowned Kinglet, Cedar Waxwing, Hutton's Vireo, Orange-crowned Warbler, Audubon's Warbler, Wilson's Warbler, Cassin's Finch, House Finch, Pine Siskin, American Goldfinch, Rufous-sided Towhee, Brown Towhee, Oregon Junco, White-crowned Sparrow, Golden-crowned Sparrow, Song Sparrow.

— A. LAURENCE CURL, *Leader and Historian*

AUDUBON CAMP OF CALIFORNIA REGISTRATION—Applications are now being received at the National Audubon headquarters, 2426 Bancroft Way, Berkeley. After June 16, applications should be sent to Audubon Camp of California, Norden, California. Here is your chance to have a unique, interesting and instructive experience in the out-of-doors while you are having fun! Camp is in session for five two week periods beginning June 22. Tell your friends about it.

FIELD NOTES: On August 31, 1955, on Highway 395, near Johnstonville, between here and Susanville, my wife and I saw both species of magpies. Several authorities said we were wrong, that it was not possible. Since that time, Robert G. Adams, Jr., of Oakland, a student at Susanville Junior College, has been looking for the magpies and has just reported that he saw both species in the same region on October 1, 1957. The location was in Honey Lake Valley on Highway 395, near Milford. — Arthur H. Myer

ANNOUNCEMENT: A Grass Roots Conference is to be held at Mills College, Saturday, May 17, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. One section will take up the question of acquiring more land for park and recreational purposes. This subject is one of great interest to Audubon members and they are invited to attend and participate. The conference is sponsored by The Council of Community Services, Oakland Area, HI 4-1508, Catherine F. Stearns, Conference Coordinator.

MAY MEETING

The 487th regular meeting of the Golden Gate Audubon Society will be held Thursday, May 8, at 7:30 p.m., at the Rotary Science Center near the duck feeding area, Lake Merritt, in Oakland. Mr. William Drake of the Nature Conservancy will be our speaker. *What is the Future of Our Western Lands?* is the title of his talk which will be illustrated with colored slides. Come and bring a friend.

No-host dinner at the Lakeside Inn, near the Rotary Center, at 6 p.m. Inexpensive. Everyone welcome. — BONNIE SMITH, *Program Chairman*

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following new members to the Golden Gate Audubon Society: from Berkeley, Miss Tommy F. Angell, Mrs. H. C. Bradley, Miss Margaret Frost, Mrs. John E. Leonard, Miss Elizabeth Martin, Mrs. B. L. Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Ward; from El Cerrito, Mrs. Pauline Knott; from Oakland, Mr. Walter Fisher, Miss Velva D. Hulsew, Miss Valerie Lunkin, Miss Bess M. Pangburn, Miss Elsa Helen Shadall, Mrs. Julia Wellborn; from San Francisco, Miss Virginia Bartlett, Miss Ruth F. Bulen, Mr. Howard F. Carroll, Mrs. Harold Cookson, Jr., Miss Grace E. Hunzicker, Miss Betty Levitin, Mr. Robert Withrow; from Stanford, Mr. Andrew Todd Newberry.

— ROBERT J. LONG, *Membership Chairman*

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FIELD TRIPS FOR MAY

On Sunday, May 4, to Tomales Bay State Park for OWLING and BIRDING BY EAR. Alan Craig and other members, who will assist, have made a continuous study of this area so this trip promises to be instructive and unusual. Those interested in OWLING meet at Inverness at 4 a.m. Others interested in BIRDING BY EAR meet at entrance to Tomales State Park at 7 a.m. Several experts will be on hand to assist in identifying bird calls and songs. Leader, Alan Craig, AS 3-9700.

On Sunday, May 11, TO SACRAMENTO AND VICINITY. A trip will be made to lowland watercourses and farmlands near the city of Sacramento. Blue Grosbeak, in addition to many species of shore birds and water fowl, were seen last year in June. Meet at 9 a.m., at the State Library Circle where Highway U. S. 40 meets the capitol grounds in Sacramento. Allow about two hours and fifteen minutes from Oakland or San Francisco for travel. Leader, Earl Albertson of Sacramento Audubon Society. *Announcement:* On Saturday, May 10, the Sacramento birders will take a field trip to the Clarence Darrington Ranch on Folsom Lake. Meet at 8 a.m. at the residence of the leader, John Bidwell, 1127 - 39th St., between J and Folsom Blvd. Make a two day trip and join in both events.

Fri., Sat., Sun., May 30, 31, June 1 — SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FOR CONDORS. Memorial Day weekend is ideal for a visit to the Condor area of the Los Padres National Forest. At the suggestion of several members, a trip has been scheduled for Sat., May 31, to Squaw Flat in the Sespe Wildlife Area. Mr. P. C. Case, District Ranger, suggests meeting at Ventura County Fire Department station in Fillmore, 9 a.m. He will try to be there and give what help he can. A fair camp is located at Cow Spring close to Squaw Flat. Motels and restaurants are available at Santa Paula, about 10 miles from Fillmore. Advise Field Trip Chairman if you are going so Mr. Case can be informed of number attending. Leader to be named later.

On Sun., June 8, to the Farallon Islands on the Privateer 11. See full announcement in March Gull. Fare is \$8.00. Send reservations to Harold Peterson. This is a reschedule of the April 13 trip which was cancelled.

— HAROLD G. PETERSON, *Field Trip Chairman*

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